

James M. Nikkel

James M. Nikkel, 77, of Sully died of lymphoma Thursday, Sept. 15, at Pella Community Hospital.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at the Sully Christian Reformed Church, with the Rev. Larry Howerzyl officiating. Burial was in Sully Cemetery, with the Van Dyk-Duven Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

The son of Marcellis and Annie Baarda Nikkel, he was born Jan. 19, 1917, on a farm north of Sully. He attended Sully Christian Grade School.

On Dec. 18, 1941, he was married to Sadie Dieleman in Sully. They farmed for 40 years north of Sully before moving to Sully in 1981.

Mr. Nikkel worked as a part-time maintenance man for the city of Sully. He was a lifetime member of the Sully Christian Reformed Church and served as a deacon and elder. He also served on the Sully Christian School Board and the Sully Cemetery Board.

He is survived by his wife, Sadie; four children, Connie Hooyer of Mountain Home, Ark., Eldon of Sully, Rhonda Sonnenburg of Pella; and Phillip of Sully; nine grandchildren; two great-granddaughters; five sisters, Cornelia Vander Weerd of Lynnville, Elizabeth Vander Weerd of Searsboro, Pauline Laverman of Kilduff, Marcella Laverman of Sully and Linda Rozendaal of Lynnville; and three brothers, Bernie of Pella, John of Reasnor and Lester of Sully.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Mathilda Van Manen.

Memorials may be made to the Sully Christian School Endowment Fund or the American Cancer Society.

H. R. September 19, 1994